

A NEW GENERAL FRACTIONAL-ORDER DERIVATIVE WITH RABOTNOV FRACTIONAL-EXPONENTIAL KERNEL APPLIED TO MODEL THE ANOMALOUS HEAT TRANSFER

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In this paper, we consider a general fractional-order derivative of the Liouville-Caputo type with the non-singular kernel of the Rabotnov fractional-exponential function for the first time. A new general fractional-order derivative heat transfer model is discussed in detail. The general fractional-order derivative formula is a new mathematical tool proposed to model the anomalous behaviors in complex and power-law phenomena.

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Introduction

The general fractional-order derivatives, where the non-singular kernels are the special functions, for more details see [1-3], such as exponential, Mittag-Leffler-Gauss, Kohlrausch-Williams-Watts, Miller-Ross, Lorenzo-Hartley, Gorenflo-Mainardi, Bessel, Mittag-Leffler, Wiman, and Prabhakar, have been applied to investigate the mathematical models in mathematical physics. The general fractional-order diffusion was reported [4]. The general-order chemical kinetics via Mittag-Leffler kernel was proposed [5]. The general fractional-order relaxation via exponential kernel was discussed [6]. The general fractional-order rheological model via Prabhakar kernel was considered [7]. The general fractional-order Burgers via Mittag-Leffler was investigated [8]. For more models via the special functions, we refer to the results for the relaxation and rheological arising in complex and power-law phenomena [1].

The Rabotnov fractional-exponential function, proposed in 1954 by Rabotnov [9], was used to describe the viscoelasticity [10, 11]. However, up to now, the general fractional-order derivative with the non-singular kernel of the Rabotnov fractional-exponential function [11] has not been developed. Motivated by the new idea, the main target of the paper is to propose the general fractional-order derivative with the non-singular kernel of the Rabotnov fraction-

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al-exponential function in the sense of Liouville-Caputo type and to investigate the general fractional-order derivataive heat transfer model.

A new general fractional-order derivataive of the Liouville-Caputo type with the non-singular kernel of the Rabotnov fractional-exponential function

Let \mathbb{C} , \mathbb{R} , \mathbb{R}_0^+ , \mathbb{N} , and \mathbb{N}_0 be the sets of complex numbers, real numbers, non-negative real numbers, positive integers and $\mathbb{N}_0 = \{0\} \cup \mathbb{N}$, respectively.

The Rabotnov fractional-exponential function

Let $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$, and $\kappa \in \mathbb{N}_0$. The Rabotnov fractional-exponential function is defined as [1, 9]:

$$\Phi_\alpha(\lambda\tau^\alpha) = \sum_{\kappa=0}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^\kappa \tau^{(\kappa+1)(\alpha+1)-1}}{\Gamma[(\kappa+1)(\alpha+1)]} \quad (1)$$

and its Laplace transform is [1]:

$$L\{\Phi_\alpha(\lambda\tau^\alpha)\} = \frac{1}{s^{\alpha+1}} \frac{1}{1-\lambda s^{-(\alpha+1)}} \quad (|\lambda s^{-(\alpha+1)}| < 1) \quad (2)$$

where the Laplace transform of the function $\phi(\tau)$ is given as [1-3]:

$$\mathbb{L}[\phi(\tau)] := \phi(s) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-s\tau} \phi(\tau) d\tau \quad (3)$$

with $s \in \mathbb{C}$.

A new general fractional-order derivataive with Rabotnov fractional-exponential kernel

Let $L(a, b)$ be the set of those Lebesgue measurable functions on a finite interval (a, b) ($-\infty \leq a \leq b \leq +\infty$), for more details, see [1].

Let $AC(a, b)$ be the space of the functions which are absolutely continuous on a finite interval (a, b) ($-\infty \leq a \leq b \leq +\infty$), for more details, see [1].

Let $AC^1(a, b)$ be the Kolmogorov-Fomin condition, for more details, see [1].

Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_0^+$. The general fractional-order integral operator via Rabotnov fractional-exponential kernel is defined:

$$\left({}_a\mathbb{I}_\tau^{(\alpha)}\Theta\right)(\tau) = \int_a^\tau \Phi_\alpha[-\lambda(\tau-t)^\alpha] \Theta(t) dt \quad (4)$$

which leads

$$\left({}_0\mathbb{I}_\tau^{(\alpha)}\Theta\right)(\tau) = \int_0^\tau \Phi_\alpha[-\lambda(\tau-t)^\alpha] \Theta(t) dt \quad (5)$$

where $a = 0$ and $\Theta \in L(a, b)$

$$\left(\mathbb{I}_+^{(\alpha)}\Theta\right)(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^\tau \Phi_\alpha[-\lambda(\tau-t)^\alpha] \Theta(t) dt \quad (6)$$

where $\Theta \in L(-\infty, b)$

$$\left(\mathbb{I}_-^{(\alpha)}\Theta\right)(\tau) = \int_0^{+\infty} \Phi_\alpha[-\lambda(\tau-t)^\alpha] \Theta(t) dt \quad (7)$$

where $\Theta \in L(-\infty, b)$.

The left-sided general fractional-order derivataive of the Liouville-Caputo type with the non-singular kernel of the Rabotnov fractional-exponential function is defined:

$$\left({}_a \mathbb{D}_\tau^{(\alpha)} \Theta\right)(\tau) = {}_a \mathbb{D}_\tau^{(\alpha)} \Theta(\tau) = \int_a^\tau \Phi_\alpha \left[-\lambda(\tau-t)^\alpha\right] \Theta^{(1)}(t) dt \quad (8)$$

which can be written

$$\left(\mathbb{D}_+^{(\alpha)} \Theta\right)(\tau) = \mathbb{D}_+^{(\alpha)} \Theta(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^\tau \Phi_\alpha \left[-\lambda(\tau-t)^\alpha\right] \Theta^{(1)}(t) dt \quad (9)$$

where $\Theta \in AC^1(a, b)$.

The right-sided general fractional-order derivataive of the Liouville-Caputo type with the non-singular kernel of the Rabotnov fractional-exponential function is defined:

$$\left({}_\tau \mathbb{D}_b^{(\alpha)} \Theta\right)(\tau) = {}_\tau \mathbb{D}_b^{(\alpha)} \Theta(\tau) = - \int_\tau^b \Phi_\alpha \left[-\lambda(t-\tau)^\alpha\right] \Theta^{(1)}(t) dt \quad (10)$$

which can be written:

$$\left(\mathbb{D}_-^{(\alpha)} \Theta\right)(\tau) = \mathbb{D}_-^{(\alpha)} \Theta(\tau) = - \int_\tau^{+\infty} \Phi_\alpha \left[-\lambda(t-\tau)^\alpha\right] \Theta^{(1)}(t) dt \quad (11)$$

where $\Theta \in AC^1(a, b)$.

The left-sided general fractional-order derivataive of the Liouville-Caputo type with the non-singular kernel of the Rabotnov fractional-exponential function is defined:

$$\left({}_a^n \mathbb{D}_\tau^{(\alpha)} \Theta\right)(\tau) = {}_a^n \mathbb{D}_\tau^{(\alpha)} \Theta(\tau) = \int_a^\tau \Phi_\alpha \left[-\lambda(\tau-t)^\alpha\right] \Theta^{(n)}(t) dt \quad (12)$$

which implies that:

$$\left({}_\tau^n \mathbb{D}_+^{(\alpha)} \Theta\right)(\tau) = {}_\tau^n \mathbb{D}_+^{(\alpha)} \Theta(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^\tau \Phi_\alpha \left[-\lambda(\tau-t)^\alpha\right] \Theta^{(n)}(t) dt \quad (13)$$

where $\Theta \in AC^n(a, b)$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

The right-sided general fractional-order derivataive of the Liouville-Caputo type with the non-singular kernel of the Rabotnov fractional-exponential function is defined:

$$\left({}_\tau^n \mathbb{D}_b^{(\alpha)} \Theta\right)(\tau) = {}_\tau^n \mathbb{D}_b^{(\alpha)} \Theta(\tau) = (-1)^n \int_\tau^b \Phi_\alpha \left[-\lambda(\tau-t)^\alpha\right] \Theta^{(n)}(t) dt \quad (14)$$

which implies that:

$$\left({}_\tau^n \mathbb{D}_-^{(\alpha)} \Theta\right)(\tau) = {}_\tau^n \mathbb{D}_-^{(\alpha)} \Theta(\tau) = (-1)^n \int_\tau^{+\infty} \Phi_\alpha \left[-\lambda(t-\tau)^\alpha\right] \Theta^{(n)}(t) dt \quad (15)$$

where $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

The Laplace transforms of (5), (9), and (13) can be given:

$$\mathbb{L} \left[\left({}_0 \mathbb{I}_\tau^{(\alpha)} \Theta\right)(\tau) \right] = \frac{1}{s^{\alpha+1}} \frac{1}{1 + \lambda s^{-(\alpha+1)}} \Theta(s) \quad (16)$$

$$\mathbb{L} \left[{}_0 \mathbb{D}_\tau^{(\alpha)} \Theta(\tau) \right] = \frac{1}{s^{\alpha+1}} \frac{1}{1 + \lambda s^{-(\alpha+1)}} [s\Theta(s) - \Theta(0)] \quad (17)$$

and

$$\mathbb{L} \left[{}_0^n \mathbb{D}_\tau^{(\alpha)} \Theta(\tau) \right] = \frac{1}{s^{\alpha+1}} \frac{1}{1 + \lambda s^{-(\alpha+1)}} \left[s^n \Theta(s) - \sum_{r=1}^n s^{n-r} \Theta^{(r)}(0) \right] \quad (18)$$

with $r \in \mathbb{N}$.

General fractional-order integrals via special function

The left-sided general fractional-order integral of $\Omega(\tau)$ is defined:

$$\left({}_a\mathbb{I}_\tau^{(\alpha)}\Omega\right)(\tau)=\int_a^\tau\Lambda_\alpha\left[-\lambda(\tau-t)^\alpha\right]\Omega(t)dt=\int_a^\tau(\tau-t)^{n-(\alpha+2)}E_{\alpha+1,n-(\alpha+1)}^{-1}\left[-\lambda(\tau-t)^{\alpha+1}\right]\Omega(t)dt \quad (19)$$

where

$$\Lambda_\alpha\left(-\lambda\tau^\alpha\right)=\tau^{n-(\alpha+2)}E_{\alpha+1,n-(\alpha+1)}^{-1}\left(-\lambda\tau^{\alpha+1}\right)$$

with the Prabhakar function, denoted [1]:

$$E_{\alpha,\beta}^\gamma(\tau)=\sum_{\kappa=0}^{\infty}\frac{1}{\Gamma(\kappa\alpha+\beta)}\frac{\Gamma(\gamma+\kappa)}{\Gamma(\gamma)}\frac{\tau^\kappa}{\Gamma(\kappa+1)}$$

The right-sided general fractional-order integral of $\Omega(\tau)$ is defined:

$$\left({}_\tau\mathbb{I}_b^{(\alpha)}\Omega\right)(\tau)=(-1)^n\int_\tau^b\Lambda_\alpha\left[-\lambda(t-\tau)^\alpha\right]\Omega(t)dt \quad (20)$$

For $a = 0$, eq. (19) can be written:

$$\left({}_0\mathbb{I}_\tau^{(\alpha)}\Omega\right)(\tau)=\int_0^\tau\Lambda_\alpha\left[-\lambda(\tau-t)^\alpha\right]\Omega(t)dt \quad (21)$$

where $\Omega \in (a, b)$.

The Laplace transform of eq. (19) can be presented:

$$\mathbb{L}\left[\left({}_0\mathbb{I}_\tau^{(\alpha)}\Omega\right)(\tau)\right]=s^{\alpha+1-n}\left(1+\lambda s^{-(\alpha+1)}\right)\Omega(s) \quad (22)$$

A new application in the heat transfer process

In this section, a new general fractional-order derivataive heat transfer model is presented.

We now consider the new general fractional-order derivataive heat transfer model:

$$\sigma_0\mathbb{D}_x^{(\alpha)}X(x)=\chi \quad (23)$$

with the initial value condition:

$$X(x)|_{x=0}=X(0) \quad (24)$$

where σ represents the thermal conductivity of the material and χ – the heat flux density.

With the use of eq. (17), we have:

$$\frac{1}{s^{\alpha+1}}\frac{\sigma}{1+\lambda s^{-(\alpha+1)}}[sX(s)-X(0)]=\chi \quad (25)$$

which implies that:

$$X(s)=\frac{\chi}{\sigma}\left(1+\lambda s^{-(\alpha+1)}\right)s^\alpha+\frac{X(0)}{s} \quad (26)$$

Finally, we have the solution of the general fractional-order derivataive heat transfer model:

$$X(x)=\frac{\chi}{\sigma}x^{-(\alpha+1)}E_{\alpha+1,-\alpha}^{-1}\left(-\lambda x^{\alpha+1}\right)+X(0) \quad (27)$$

Conclusion

In our work, we have addressed the new general fractional-order derivative of the Liouville-Caputo type without the singular kernel of the Rabotnov fractional-exponential function and its Laplace transform. As a potential application, the general fractional-order derivative heat transfer model and its solution based on the general Prabhakar function have been investigated in detail. The general fractional-order derivative is accurate and efficient for description of the general fractional-order dynamics in complex and power-law phenomena.

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Nomenclature

$X(x)$ – temperature distribution, [K]
 x – space co-ordinate, [m]
 $\mathbb{L}[\bullet]$ – Laplace transform, [–]

Greek symbols

α – fractional order, [–]
 κ – thermal conductivity, [$\text{Wm}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$]
 χ – heat flux density, [Wm^{-2}]

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